

# Courts and Lawyers Are Again Denounced by Gompers

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## FRANCE OFFERS SOVIET RECOGNITION

### GOMPERS IN ANGER REFUSES TO CHANGE VIEWS ON LAWYERS

Sharp Clash With Mr. Undermyer at Session of Lockwood Committee.

COUNSEL IS SARCASTIC.

Labor Head Draws Line Between Ability and Conscience of the Bar.

At the outset of the hearing of the Lockwood Committee on Housing at the City Hall to-day Samuel Gompers, head of the American Federation of Labor, in an angry colloquy with Samuel Undermyer, refused to retract his criticisms of lawyers and the courts which he made yesterday. He said an apology for his expressed opinion was "impossible."

"You made yesterday a wanton, gratuitous attack on the great profession to which I have the honor to belong," said Mr. Undermyer.

"The statement is not accurate," said Mr. Gompers. "I did not say the members of the legal profession were all unworthy men. I said 'a large number.' That was the reply. 'You had no right to assume I meant all who follow the profession.'"

"You did not say," Mr. Undermyer said sternly, "a large number."

"I referred to the practitioners of law—not to the science of law," said the witness.

"All who practice law are unworthy," asked Mr. Undermyer.

"I make a distinction," said Mr. Gompers. "Between lawyers who are merely able and those who are able and good."

"Those who are not able are the only good lawyers," said Mr. Undermyer with a jeer in his voice.

"That is a misconception," said Mr. Gompers, showing anger. "I define those who are able and good as those who have conscience and stand for the truth."

"You think there are fewer men in the legal profession who are conscientious and stand for the truth than in any other profession?" asked Mr. Undermyer.

"I think, sir—I know!" said Mr. Gompers with increasing emphasis. "I know that is true."

"You are a man that the Judges of our courts are recruited from the men you have included in this distributive?"

"It was not a distributive," said Mr. Gompers. "It was a criticism."

"Don't think that I worry over your opinion of my profession," said Mr. Undermyer.

"Do not think," retorted Mr. Gompers, "that I worry over your opinion."

"Do you think the Judges, in great part, are as bad as the lawyers?" asked Mr. Undermyer.

**JUDGES EVEN WORSE, HE SAYS.**

"The Judges are sometimes even worse," said Mr. Gompers, calmly. He said nearly any lawyer would take a case without regard to fact, justice or equity.

"Do you say that because of your

### Egyptian Prince Sails for Home With Faithful "Blink," Saying American Girls Beat the World

Spent \$60,000 in Three Months Here, but Has Plenty Left—Riffles \$20,000 in Bills to Prove It.

Prince Mohammed Ali Ibrahim, nephew of the newly created King of Egypt, started this afternoon on his roundabout way for home and Cairo on the steamship Olympic after three months in this country, during which he spent \$60,000 and discovered the American woman to be the most beautiful and charming in all the world.

With him went his faithful boxing-glove, philosopher and friend, Blink McCloskey, late of Philadelphia and now of Cairo. Although the Prince has spent a small fortune in amusing himself (and Blink) in America, Blink assured an Evening World reporter at the Biltmore, just before steaming time, that "there was still plenty left," and in proof of it drew a package of \$20,000 in bills from an inside pocket and riffled it.

It is with great regret that Prince Mohammed left these shores, he said. But he promised to come back in July to remain six months, most of which time, he said, he would spend at the "spend" Blink put his hand to the package in his inside pocket in this city.

"I like New York," he went on, "and I must come back here soon. The American women are the prettiest in the world. I saw them by scores at Hollywood and Los Angeles, and I spent a long time there. I met Bebe Daniels, Miss Murray, Mabel Normand and a lot of others. They are beautiful and delightful women. But, as a rule, the screen beauties are more beautiful on the screen than away from it."

"I am going home at the request of my uncle, the King, who wants his family around him. But on the way I shall stop in Paris, Berlin, Vienna, Trieste, Rome and Naples before taking steamer for Cairo."

At the Biltmore to say goodbye to the young Egyptian was Miss Mabel Withee, an actress, who has been retained by the Prince several times since he arrived in this city three days ago.

Blink McCloskey, who was busy as a bird dog to-day getting the Prince, his sporty automobile and his 25 trucks aboard the Olympic, said that he asked only one last favor of the American Prince, that it would state positively he did not wear false teeth. They could say anything else about him, he declared, but not that.

Blink confided that he had complete charge of all the Prince's funds. "You see, it's like this," he explained. "His Highness does whatever he wants, he thinks he'll need and turns it over to me, just the way he did with this \$20,000. Then I'm the guy what pays all the bills, see? If he wants any money, he asks for it, and I give it to him, just like that." Here Blink made a generous gesture from his pocket.

"We've had a nice and instructive time, all in all. It was very nice out in Hollywood and Los Angeles. There was only one celebrity we didn't see; that was Charlie Chaplin. Charlie wouldn't come to see the Prince. He committed suicide today in the cellar of his home by shooting himself in the left breast."

By the way, this Prince is certainly a demon motor driver. He took that long-lying bus of his one day and drove from San Francisco to Los Angeles, about 450 miles, in four hours. He was arrested for speeding and it cost me \$150.

### RYE KEEPS AIRMEN 2,000 FEET ABOVE TOWN

Ordinance Passed to Protect People at Shore Resort.

An ordinance prohibiting aviators from flying lower than 2,000 feet above the land or water of the Rye, N. Y., town park at Oakland Beach has been passed by the Commissioners of Parks. The ordinance forbids the performance of aerial acrobatics at any height over the park because of the danger to people in the park, particularly on Saturdays and Sundays, when the crowds are large.

### AUTO BUSES RUN ON N. Y.

N. H. & H.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 22.—Auto buses from New York City were run on this city over the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad yesterday, being the first instance of buses being used on a main line from the metropolis.



PRINCE MOHAMMED ALI IBRAHIM

### PENN. R. R. UPHELD BY FEDERAL COURT AGAINST U. S. BOARD

Chicago Judge Refuses to End Injunction Restraining Railroad.

CHICAGO, April 22.—Federal Judge George T. Page upheld the Pennsylvania Railroad to-day in its suit to test the power of the United States Railroad Labor Board by refusing to dismiss the temporary injunction recently granted by Judge Landis, restraining the board from censoring the road for violation of the board's decrees.

Judge Page ordered a conference of attorneys for both sides and the case probably will come up again. The board ordered the road to hold new elections among its shop craft employees some time ago, and the road refused to do so. The board then prepared to issue a decree of censure, and the Pennsylvania obtained the injunction to test the board's powers.

The shop crafts who charged that the employees' representatives who conferred with the road over proposed wage reductions were selected by the road itself and not by the employees. They alleged the conferences, therefore, were illegal and they were upheld by the board.

The labor board has never claimed power to enforce its decrees, the enforcement being left under the Transportation act to the moral responsibility placed on carriers and employees through the decisions of an impartial body. The only power it claimed was to censure publicly any body violating its decrees.

To-day's decision is not final, but it came as a distinct shock to board members, they said, as they had confidently expected Judge Page would dismiss the temporary injunction and throw the case out of court.

### STOCK BROKER ENDS LIFE; HAD BEEN IN BAD HEALTH

John Christiansen, a stock broker, fifty, of No. 357 78th Street, Brooklyn, with an office at No. 15 William Street, committed suicide to-day in the cellar of his home by shooting himself in the left breast. It was said by his son, John Jr., that his father had complained of feeling ill lately. Mrs. Christiansen is in Florida for her health.

### \$700,000 IN OPIUM STOLEN ON TRUCK BY B'KLYN THUGS

Consignment in Crude State Was Being Taken to Wholesale Druggists.

DRIVER IS QUESTIONED.

Piazza Sticks to Story of Holdup by Four Men With Revolvers.

The city and Federal Governments are hunting for 1,600 pounds of opium which was stolen from a truck owned by McKesson & Robbins, wholesale druggists of Brooklyn, and which, it is claimed, when chemically treated would be worth in the retail market \$600,000 or \$700,000.

Charles Piazza, driver of the truck, has been questioned by the police again and again and has stuck to his story, varying it only in a few minor details. He said that he was held up at Broadway and Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, at 2.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon by four men in an automobile. He said that he was forced at the point of revolvers to leave his seat and enter the other machine, one of the four driving his truck as far as Elmhurst, where he was thrown out of the car.

Later he said that his truck was in the vicinity of Morgan Street, Manhattan, at 2.15 o'clock. The truck, its contents gone, was found at 10.30 o'clock last night in front of No. 500 East 78th Street, Manhattan. He gave descriptions of the four men who held him up and drove off with the truck.

One, he said, was a German, twenty-seven years old, 5 feet 9 inches in height, weighing 160 pounds, smooth face and brown hair, wearing a blue serge suit and a gray cap.

The second was an American, twenty-five, 5 feet, 7 inches, weighing 135 pounds, smooth face, pale and wearing gray suit and dark cap. The last was an Irish-American, twenty-nine, 5 feet, 7 inches, 140 pounds, smooth face and ruddy complexion, wearing a suit of green mixed goods and a light fedora hat.

Capt. Carey, head of the Detective Bureau in Brooklyn, said that three policemen who were in the neighborhood of the alleged holdup neither saw nor heard anything, and two firemen have been found who were at the scene at the named time but saw nothing out of the way.

Piazza is not under arrest, but the police confess that they are not entirely satisfied with his story. Louis E. Groff of the drug firm to which the crude opium was consigned said that in its raw state it was worth \$6 a pound, but when chemically treated it would be worth not less than \$6 an ounce. When it came to be peddled to drug addicts the returns from the 1,600 pounds would be in the neighborhood of \$700,000. Dr. Simon, Deputy Police Commissioner in charge of the Narcotic Squad, agreed with him.

### BANKRUPT FIRM OWES \$36,996,820; ASSETS \$57,842,896

\$40,000,000 of Assets is Capital Stock of Distilling Co. of America.

A schedule in bankruptcy was filed to-day in behalf of the United States Food Products Corporation, against whom an involuntary petition was filed in the United States District Court on February 7. The schedule shows liabilities of \$36,996,820; of this \$11,291,290 are claims held by banks, most of which are secured by collateral. The listed assets total \$57,842,896. Forty million dollars of this is in the capital stock of the Distilling Company of America.

### Former Anna Gould's Daughter Threatened With Sojourn on Ellis Island on Arrival Here



VIOLETTE HELENE DE TALLEYRAND-PERIGORD

Little Miss Rescued in Nick of Time by Mrs. Finley J. Shepard, Her Aunt, Who Arrived Late at Pier.

For a few minutes to-day it appeared as if Violette Helene de Talleyrand-Perigord, daughter of the Countess de Talleyrand, formerly Anna Gould, and niece of Mrs. Finley J. Shepard, would be sent to Ellis Island because of the immigration laws applying to children of her age.

The child, who is seven years old, arrived this morning on the steamship Paris. She is accompanied by a governess and is here for a three-months visit to "Aunt Helen." The law as to foreign children entering the United States unaccompanied by parents or legal guardians provides that they shall be sent to the island before a board of inquiry, particularly when there is no one to meet them.

When the baggage had been cleared and the young miss had said she admired the Statue of Liberty and was glad to visit America because it was the home of her mother, there still was no one to meet her.

While the immigration officials were discussing what to do, Mrs. Shepard arrived, accompanied by her attorney. They had motored down from Westchester and were late, expecting the boat would not dock quite so early.

A telephone call to Commissioner of Immigration Tod gave Mrs. Shepard the right to carry the niece away and, talking in English with a very pretty French accent, she snuggled up to Mrs. Shepard and was on her way uptown to see the skyscrapers in the city where her mother was born.

### SAYS GAS CUT-OFF SCHEME WAS KILLED BY EVENING WORLD

Stewart Browne Declares It Only Fair to Give This Paper the Credit.

"I think it only fair to state that the realty owners and tenants of New York would have known nothing about the gas cut-off grab had it not been for The Evening World," writes Stewart Browne, President of the United Real Estate Owners Association. "Your paper stirred up public sentiment with the final result that the Mayor vetoed the ordinance."

### FRANCE OFFERS RECOGNITION TO RUSSIA, BUT BOLSHIEVSKI MUST CARRY OUT PROMISES

### SEN. WALKER HEADS MOVIE EXHIBITORS AT \$75,000 SALARY

Senate Minority Leader Has Been Counsel for Theatre Owners of America.

Senator James J. Walker, product of Tammany, Democratic leader for several years in the upper branch of the Legislature and prominently mentioned as gubernatorial nominee at the fall election, is slated for the presidency of the Motion Picture Theatre Owners' of America, at a salary of \$75,000 a year.

In the motion picture industry this is regarded as a sensation second only to the appointment of Will Hays, former Postmaster General, to the head of the organization of the motion picture producers. It is a move to bring into more harmonious relations the producers and exhibitors and is in accordance with the Hays plan of promoting peace in the ranks and purifying the industry.

The candidacy of Mr. Walker is no surprise to leaders among the exhibitors, for they have been working to that end for several months past. The Senator has been their counsel for several years and has made some vigorous and successful fights in their behalf against the producers. The exhibitors meet in convention at Washington during the first week in May, when the election of the President takes place.

According to the best informed in the industry, the election of Mr. Walker lacked only one essential, which was his acceptance of the position. At a dinner at the Ritz-Carlton of leading exhibitors, on Thursday night, at which Will Hays was a guest, "Jimmy" declared himself willing to do anything that they thought he could do in the interests of the theatre owners. They told him that he could best serve their interests by taking charge of the organization.

The Senator is known to the exhibitors from coast to coast. He has fought their fights in the courts, in the Legislature and at Washington. When taxed on the floor of the Senate with being affiliated with the motion picture industry, when he was fighting the bill to establish the Movie Censor Board, he interrupted the speaker to tell him just how he was connected with it; that he represented the exhibitors and not the producers.

The Motion Picture Theatre Owners of America is credited with being one of the strongest financial organizations in the country; there are in the neighborhood of 17,000 of them. They are the men who make or unmake the output of the producers, for they

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### JAPS BEAT YANK NINE AT TOKIO

30,000 See Indiana College Team Lose First Game in Japan.

TOKIO, April 22 (Associated Press).—A crowd of 30,000 persons witnessed the first game played by the Indiana University baseball team which came to Japan on the invitation of the Waseda University team of Tokio for a series of twelve games here. The visitors lost the opening contest, a light-hitting affair, taking a shutout at the hands of the Japanese collegians, 4 to 0.

Barthou Announces Decision, but Declares Soviets Will First Be Placed on Probation by the Allied Powers.

Paris Delegation, However, Is Fearful Germans May Try to Enter Discussions and Protests Reply to Treaty.

GENOA, April 22 (United Press).—France to-day offered conditional recognition to the Russian Bolshevik Government.

Louis Barthou, Chief of the French Delegation to the Genoa Economic Conference, announced willingness to extend this recognition, provided Russia carries out its promises made in its reply to the Allied demands. But first, he said, Russia must be put on probation.

Recognition was one of the counter-demands made by Russia in its reply to the Allied note. The Soviet Government agreed to acknowledge its debt providing recognition was accorded it.

France heretofore has been bitterly opposed to admitting Russia to the family of nations, while the Soviet regime remains in power.

Barthou's statement was made after a long conference with his colleagues and after he had communicated with Premier Poincare in Paris.

"We shall recognize Russia if she'll carry out her promises," he said, "but the Soviet Government first must be put on probation. The situation is more troubling to-day, but we must wait and watch."

It is understood that Premier Poincare is not so enthusiastic about recognizing the Russian Government, and it was reported to-day he might himself come to Genoa and take a hand in the negotiations. The committee of experts met to-day to take up the Russian matter. The Soviet reply having proved acceptable, the next step is the working out of details. First, the committee considered the claims of foreigners upon the Russian government for destruction of property during the revolution. This meeting was the chief event of the day.

GENOA, April 22 (Associated Press).—The French delegation to the Economic Conference has submitted a protest against the German reply to the Allied note, in which the Germans stated they would refrain from discussing Russian questions settled in the Russo-German treaty. The French contend that the Germans, under their reply, may insist upon discussing other Russian questions.

An English spokesman said a meeting of the entire British delegation this morning decided to consider the incident that had arisen out of the Russo-German treaty and, according to closed. Since Germany had accepted the humiliation inflicted upon her, by agreeing not to participate in discussions concerning Russia, the British spokesman said, it would be unparliamentary to insist on further concessions. He was not sure, however, how far the French really intended to go with their protests against the German reply.

George Chicherin, the Russian Soviet Foreign Minister, gave the Italian Socialists and Communists a shock by meeting the King and accepting His Majesty's invitation to a luncheon on board the Italian dreadnought Conte Cavour.

It was the first visit the King had made to Genoa since the war, and his arrival was made the occasion for a great demonstration of loyalty. One of his first acts after his arrival this morning was to congratulate Foreign Minister Schanzer on the work he had done to prevent what appeared an impending breakup of the conference.

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